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TAGS: EAID, NG, ML

SUBJ: PARAKOU-GAO GRAIN SHIPMENT

REF: NIAMEY 2207

1. DURING MEETING WITH PRESIDENT KOUNTCHE JULY 3
ON OTHER MATTERS, I ASKED HIM WHETHER WE COULD GO AHEAD TO
DIVERT APPROXIMATELY 2,000 TONS OF GRAIN FROM NIGER TO GAO
WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS GRAIN WOULD BE REPLACED.
RECALLING MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT'S ASSERTION (REFTEL)
THAT GON TRUCKING COULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR
PARAKOU-GAO HAUL, I NOTED WE HAD LOCATED OTHER TRUCKING
FROM UPPER VOLTA FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. KOUNTCHE SAID HE WAS GLAD TO HELP HIS
MALIAN BROTHERS AND THIS ARRANGEMENT WAS ACCEPTABLE TO GON.
ONLY CONDITIONS WERE THAT GRAIN TO BE SHIPPED
FROM PARAKOU TO GAO BE PUT ASIDE IN AREA IN PARAKOU CLEARLY
IDENTIFIED FOR THIS PURPOSE SO THAT THERE WOULD NOT BE
ANY CONFUSION WITH GRAIN BEING SHIPPED TO NIGER AND
THAT FOLLOWING DATA BE SUPPLIED TO GON FOR TRANSMITTAL
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TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES AT GAYA AND AYOROU TO FACILITATE

SHIPMENT:

- A) COMPOSITION OF CONVOY.
- B) LICENSE NUMBER OF EACH TRUCK.
- C) NAMES OF DRIVERS.
- D) DATES OF ARRIVAL AT GAYA AND ETD AT AYOROU.

3. FURTHER INFO ON NEXT STEPS TO IMPLEMENT PLAN WIL
BE REPORTED SEPTTEL.HECK

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